

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

<b>IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY HILLS )</b>	<b>ORDER APPROVING</b>
<b>TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC. FOR )</b>	<b>TARIFF</b>
<b>APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO ITS )</b>	
<b>INTRASTATE SWITCHED ACCESS TARIFF )</b>	<b>TC07-003</b>

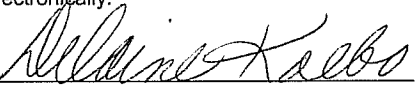
On January 9, 2007, Hills Telephone Company, Inc. (Hills) filed revised pages to the Hills Intrastate Switched Access Tariff. Hills requests an effective date of February 1, 2007. Hills was granted an exemption from developing company specific cost-based switched access rates in TC04-205. The switched access rates filed by Hills are based on the recent LECA stipulation and settlement in TC04-119, TC05-096, and TC06-079 and the revenue requirements and switched access minutes of use of PrairieWave Community Telephone and Fort Randall Telephone Company.

On January 11, 2007, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of January 19, 2007, to interested individuals and entities. No comments or petitions to intervene were filed.

On January 23, 2007, the Commission considered Hills' request for approval of revisions to its intrastate switched access tariff No. 1. Commission Staff recommended no refunds as Hills agreed to the LECA Plus rate of \$0.1225, and also recommended approval of the revised tariff, effective February 1, 2007. The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL 49-31-18, 49-31-19 and ARSD 20:10:27:12. The Commission voted to approve the revisions to Hills' intrastate switched access tariff no. 1 with no refunds. It is therefore

ORDERED, that Hills' revised intrastate switched access tariff no. 1 is approved with no refunds, effective February 1, 2007.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 30<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2007.

<b>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</b>
The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, electronically.
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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

  
DUSTIN M. JOHNSON, Chairman

  
GARY HANSON, Commissioner

  
STEVE KOLBECK, Commissioner